

HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1006

Introduced by: Representatives Romkema, Bolin, Cammack, Carson, Dryden, Haggar (Don), Kaiser, Mickelson, Miller, Rozum, Schaefer, Stalzer, Stevens, and Wick and Senators Ewing, Heineman (Phyllis), Tidemann, and Van Gerpen

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Honoring the City of Whitewood, South Dakota, on its one hundred twenty-fifth anniversary as an incorporated city.

WHEREAS, there is evidence the settlement of Whitewood existed in 1876 when General George Crook stopped at Whitewood after the Horsemeat March, and stagecoaches began running through Whitewood to Deadwood, Spearfish, and Belle Fourche. In 1877, Lawrence County, Dakota Territory, was organized and the Whitewood Post Office was established; and

WHEREAS, in 1887, the Fremont, Elkhorn, Missouri Valley Railroad Company made Whitewood the "end of the rail lines" in the Northern Black Hills. In the same year, the Pioneer Townsite Company surveyed and sold residential and business lots in Whitewood; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 1888, an election was held, and a majority voted "Yes" for incorporation. Later that year, on May 10, a special session of the board was ordered, and the proposed town of Whitewood, Dakota Territory, became incorporated:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-Eighth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the incorporated city of Whitewood, South Dakota, will host a celebration of its one hundred twenty-fifth Anniversary on Friday, June 28, until Sunday, June 30, 2013.

